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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.

09/778,652

Applicant(s)

Vladimir Gartstein et al.

Filed

February 7, 2001

Title

Noninvasive Methods And Apparatus For Monitoring At

Least One Hair Characteristic

TC/A.U.

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Examiner

Gary Vicaux

Conf. No.

5486

Docket No.

9116-392 (P&G Case 8435L)

Customer No.

27752

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents

P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows:

[X] One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)

\$110.00

[] Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)

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[] Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 16-2480.

08/07/7005 (USUSU): 00Avduplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

THE PROCTER & GAMBLE COMPANY

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Signature

Larry L. Huston

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